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1. A detachment of anti-aircraft artillery is permanently stationed in the castle of Prince Festetich at Keszthely (V40). 25X1C
2. An infantry training regiment, [ ] is located in a tent area 3 km. from Keszthely, on the Keszthely-Hévíz road, in the park of the princely estate. During the summer, from 1 April to the end of October 1951, this regiment was filled up with recruits for training periods of 2 months. During the winter only the cadres, a few officers and non-commissioned officers remained. The regiment is commanded by Capt. Ferenc Szabó.
3. During the summer of 1951 this regiment included the 1st and 2nd Battalions, each having a rifle, a machine gun, and a mortar company of 150, 70, and 80 men respectively. The rifle companies had each 12 light machine guns. The machine gun companies had four Maxim guns, M.48, and the mortar companies, eight 82 mm. mortars weighing 61 kg.
4. The commander of the 2nd Battalion was 1st Lt. Miklós Nagy; political officer: Tibor Erdősi; Machine gun company commander: 1st Lt. (fnu) Szalai; political officer: 2nd Lt. László Fekete. [ ]  
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5. The 3rd Battalion, believed to be not in the Keszthely area, was composed of two signal companies. The training period was three months in this battalion.
6. The recruits for the regiment came from the counties of Sopron, Moson, and Győr. They belonged to the classes of 1925 and 1928. The strength of the regiment was approximately 970 trainees and 72 instructors.

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